System and Network Administration

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Section A & B

Lecture 03

Local Security Policy

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Topics to be cover



ACCOUNT LOCKOUT POLICY



PASSWORD POLICY



AUDIT POLICY



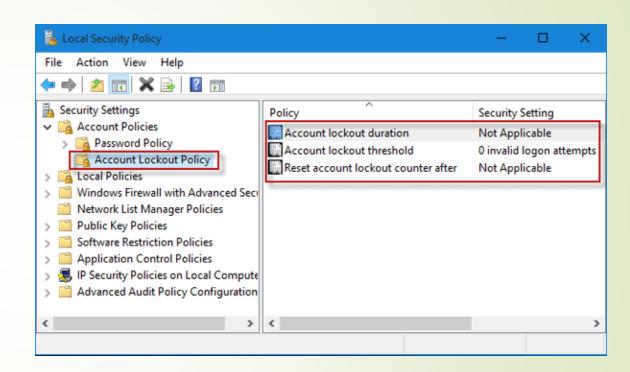
USER RIGHTS ASSIGNMENTS



SECURITY OPTIONS

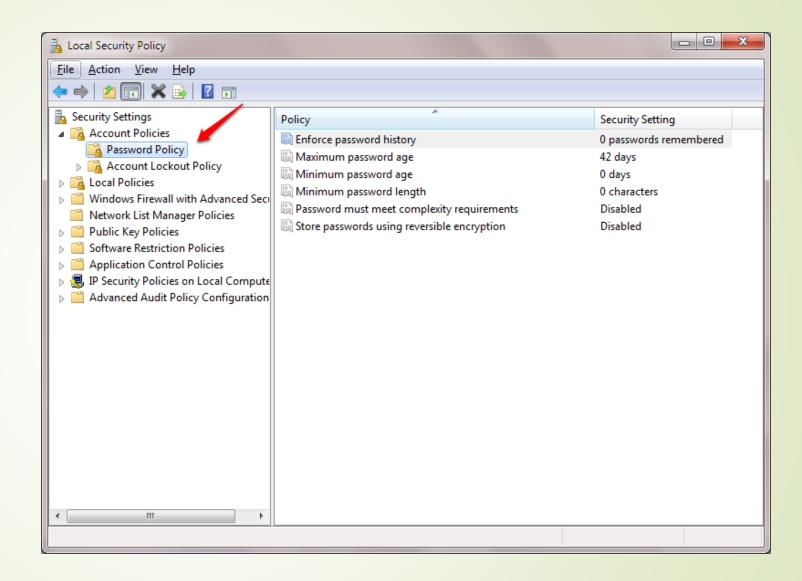
Account Lockout Policy

- The Account lockout duration policy setting determines the number of minutes that a locked-out account remains locked out before automatically becoming unlocked.
- The available range is from 1 through 99,999 minutes.
- A value of 0 specifies that the account will be locked out until an administrator explicitly unlocks it.



Password Policy

- Enforce password history
- Maximum password age
- Minimum password age
- Minimum password length
- Password must meet complexity requirements
- Store passwords using reversible encryption



Enforce Password History

- This allows the user to define the number of unique passwords allowed per user before reusing the old password.
- For example, if the value is set to 5, the user can reuse the first password only after 5 unique password changes.
- By default, the value is not configured.
- The allowed value ranges from 0 to 24.

Maximum Password Age

- Allows the user to set the password duration (in days) after which the user is forced to change the password.
- For example, if the value is set to 30, the user will be prompted to change the password on the thirty-first day.
- By default, the value is not configured.
- The allowed value ranges from 0 to 999.
- ▶ If the value is set to 0, that means the password will never expire.

Minimum Password Age

- Allows the user to set the duration (in days) that a password must be used before the user changes it.
- For example, if the value is set to 5, the user can only change the password after 5 days.
- By default, the value is not configured.
- The allowed value ranges from 1 to 998.
- If the value is set to 0, that means the password can be changed immediately.

Minimum Password Length

- Allows the user to set the minimum length of the password.
- For example, if the value is set to 8, the minimum length of the password would be 8 characters and no less than that.
- By default, the value is not configured.
- The allowed value ranges from 1 to 14.
- If the value is set to 0, that means the password is not required.

Password Must Complexity Requirements

If this policy is enabled, passwords must meet the following minimum requirements:

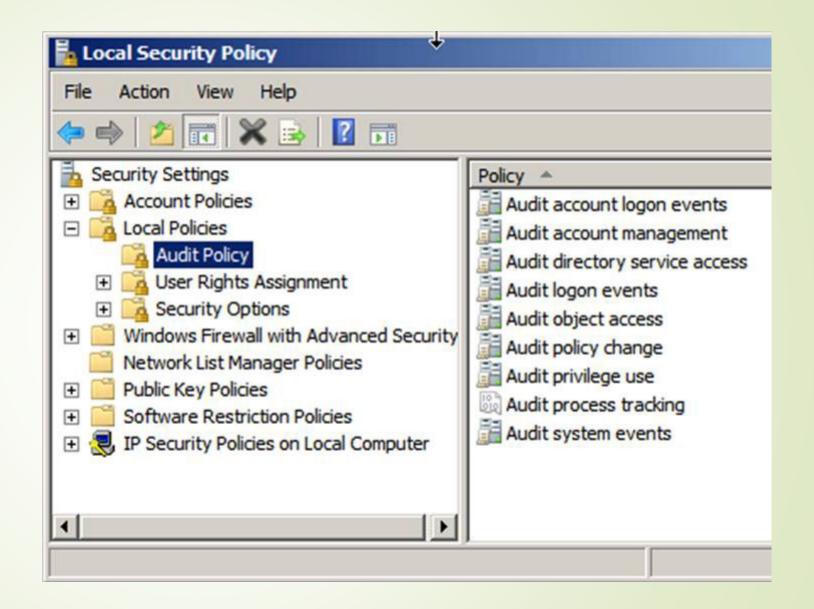
- Not contain the user's account name or parts of the user's full name that exceed two consecutive characters.
- Be at least six characters in length.
- Contain characters from three of the following four categories:
 - English uppercase characters (A through Z)
 - English lowercase characters (a through z)
 - Base 10 digits (0 through 9)
 - Non-alphabetic characters (for example, !, \$, #, %)
- Complexity requirements are enforced when passwords are changed or created.
- By default, it is set to disable.

Store Passwords Using Reversible Encryption

- This allows storing encrypted passwords in a way that it can be decrypted.
- This is an unsafe setting and must be disabled.

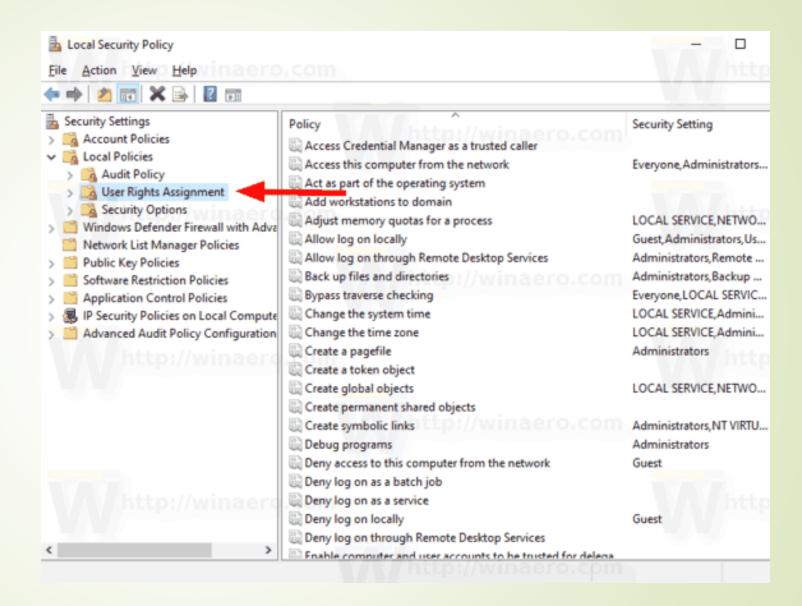
Audit Policy

The security audit policy settings under Security Settings \ Local Policies \ Audit Policy provide broad security audit capabilities for client devices and servers that can't use advanced security audit policy settings.



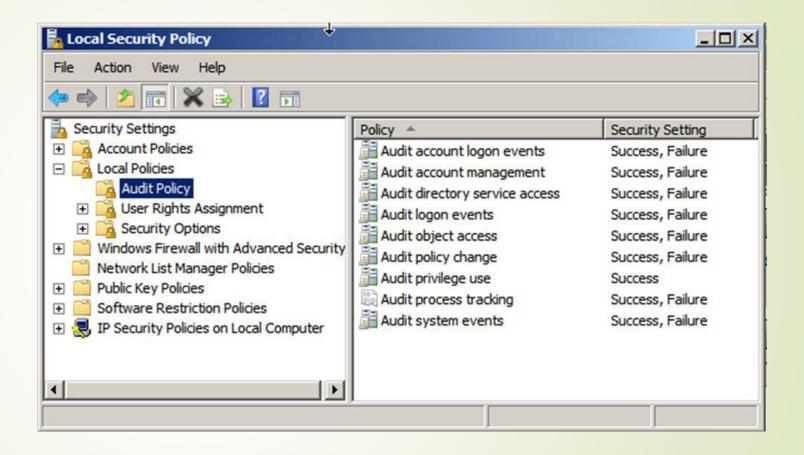
User Rights Assignment

- User rights are applied at the local computer level, and they allow users to perform tasks on a computer or in a domain.
- User rights include logon rights and permissions.
- Logon rights control who is authorized to log on to a computer and how they can log on.



Security Options

Security policy settings are rules that administrators configure on a computer or multiple devices for protecting resources on a device or network.



Videos to cover these topics

- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U7o9WwcgAu0&list=PLyxg8agb6OW-nXvwHw0kTG22jmSsOfYS1&index=5&ab_channel=KashifBunerilTTrainer
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